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Westside Salmon Announcement 37 Emergency Order 38

This is the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding commercial fishing in the Nushagak District. This is Westside salmon announcement number 37 issued Friday, July 20 at 12:00 noon.

As previously announced, commercial fishing with set gillnets in the Igushik Section of the Nushagak District is extended until further notice. For the rest of the Nushagak District we are switching to pink and coho salmon management. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear in the Nushagak District (Nushagak and Igushik Sections) and commercial fishing with set gillnet gear in the Nushagak Section, will close at 4:30 p.m. July 22.

Commercial fishing will open for set gillnets in the Nushagak Section and for drift gillnets in the Nushagak District as follows:

On July 24, for 8 hours, from 4:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

On July 26, for 8 hours, from 5:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

On July 27, for 8 hours, from 6:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

For these openings mesh size is restricted to 4.75 inch mesh or smaller for the conservation of coho salmon. Subsequent openings will be dependent upon escapement and will likely be for a reduced time depending upon participation.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.